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Inventory No:	EAS.109
Historic Name:	
Common Name:	
Address:	435 Aspinet Rd
City/Town:	Eastham
Village/Neighborhood:	North Eastham
Local No:	5-337
Year Constructed:	c 1850
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Greek Revival
Use(s):	Agricultural; Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Agriculture; Architecture
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Wood Clapboard; Wood Foundation: Brick



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FORM B - BUILDING

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EAS.109

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Assessor's
Number

5/337

USGS Quad

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Area(s)

Form Number

109

Town

Eastham



Neighborhood or village)

North Eastham

435 Aspinet Road

Common Name

Present Residential

Original "

Construction c. 1850

See Bibliography*

Form Greek Revival

Architect/Builder

Construction Material:

Foundation

Brick

Wall/Trim

Clapboard

Roof

Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

2, free-standing sheds, 1 cabin and 1, 3-bay garage.

Major Alterations (with dates) See Architectural Description.

Condition

Good

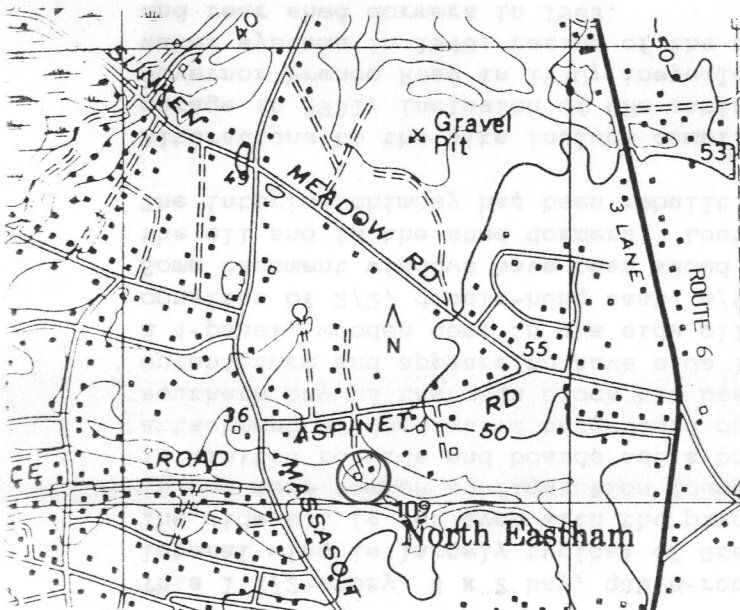
Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage

4.3 acres

Setting Located on a long driveway on a wooded lot making the house is not visible from Aspinet Street a residential, secondary street.

here. Indicate North.



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BUILDING FORM

435 Aspinet Road

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION See continuation sheet.

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

This 1 1/2-story, 3 x 2 bay, gable-roofed, gable-end, side-entry dwelling with lateral wing is largely typical of Greek Revival residences in Eastham. The side ell is set even with the plane of the main block rather than recessed in the more common configuration found in New England. Wall and eaves detail is limited to wide end boards and a boxed cornice with the Victorian attachment of decorative bargeboard on the main block. The main entry in the southern bay of the main block has been boarded, but is surmounted by an entablature and appears to have side lights. The secondary entry consists of a 4-panel, wooden door in the side ell. Fenestration is set in plain trim and consists of 2/2, double-hung sash; 6/6 windows remain on the second story. Some casement windows have been added as replacements on the first floor of the ell and in the shed dormers. Louvered shutters are replacements. The interior chimney has been rebuilt.

Alterations to the site include demolition of a barn and construction of the garage in 1951; inclusion of the cabin moved from the Clayton Horton Colony on Governor Prentice Road in 1970; installation of plumbing, heating electrical and water systems in 1948; razing of the outhouse c. 1948? and addition of front and rear shed dormers in 1963.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE X See continuation sheet.

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Title and probate research by members of the Eastham Historical Society dates this dwelling before 1823 to Elkanah Cobb, father-in-law of Captain Zara Higgins who lived nearby at 345 Aspinet Road (see Form No. 108). The appearance of this house, however, indicates the reference must be to a different house or to one that was substantially modified to the present Greek Revival style.

Elkanah Cobb (b. Brewster, May 30, 1757; d. Eastham, September 23, 1837) is listed as a yeoman on a 1828 deed. He married Jerusha Foster Cobb (b. Brewster, July 11, 1762; d. Eastham, December 20, 1845) on May 3, 1781. who apparently survived him as the deed from his estate to subsequent owners Thomas Chipman and Freeman Horton allowed her to remain in the "part of the house built after 1823."

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES X See continuation sheet.

 Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places;

If checked, see attached National Register Criteria Statement form.



Pump at 435 Aspinet Rd



HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (continued)

No research from the Eastham Historical Society and little information from local records was found on succeeding owners identified in the chain of title. Existing data indicates the property remained a farm through the end of the nineteenth century and, as noted above, few household technological improvements were installed until the middle of the twentieth century.

Subsequent owners were: Thomas Chipman and Freeman Horton (Bk. 25; Pg. 308, September 6, 1840); Thomas Collins (Bk. 39; Pg. 516, May 14, 1849); heirs of Thomas Collins, Freeman A. Collins, George T. Collins and Silvanus P. Collins (will of Thomas Collins); George H. Dill, farmer Cross Road (Bk. 179; Pg. 183, June 8, 1888); Nehemiah P. Hopkins (Bk. 268; Pg. 36; July 5, 1907); Edith M. Hopkins (will of Nehemiah P. Hopkins); Curtis E. Dorrie and wife (Bk. 643; Pg. 584, March 22, 1946) and Mary and Wilfred Trahan, plumbing, heating, well and water systems contractor (Bk. 699; Pg. 23, July 22, 1948).

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Garage at 435 Aspinet Road



Sheds at 435 Aspinet Road